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1. BASIC APPROACH WE WISH TO TAKE TOWARD ICAO COUNCIL
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CONSIDERATION MARCH 3 OF U.S. AND ISRAELI PROPOSALS FOR

STRENGTHENING MEASURES FOR COUNTERING UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE IS THAT ESTABLISHED IN STATE 27909. SPECIFICALLY, U.S. AIM IS (A) TO PRESERVE UNPOLITICIZED APPROACH MOST COUNCIL MEMBERS APPEAR NOW TO BE TAKING TO PROBLEM, (B) TO CONFINE COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AT THIS STAGE TO PROCEDURAL DECISIONS ON HOW BEST TO REINVIGORATE WORK ON PROBLEM WITHIN ICAO, AND (C) TO LAUNCH NEW EFFORT BY ICAO IN WAY WHICH WILL BOTH BE PRODUCTIVE AND REFLECT FAVORABLY UPON CAPACITIES OF ORGANIZATION.

2. WE REGRET IT HAS NOT BEEN POSSIBLE TO ATTRACT OTHER NATIONAL INPUTS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION MARCH 3, BUT CONTINUE TO SEE IMPORTANT ADVANTAGES IN HAVING BOTH PROPOSALS WHICH ARE BEFORE COUNCIL ON THIS SUBJECT (ISRAELI AND U.S.) TAKEN UP TOGETHER. ALTHOUGH ISRAELI AND U.S. PROPOSALS PRESENTLY INSCRIBED AS SEPARATE AGENDA ITEMS, REQUEST U.S. REPRESENTATIVE EXPLORE WILLINGNESS OF COUNCIL

PRESIDENT TO DRAW ATTENTION OF COUNCIL AT MARCH 3 MEETING TO SIMILAR NATURE OF BOTH ITEMS AND TO PROPOSE THAT (ONCE FAVORABLE DECISION MADE TO INSCRIBE ISRAELI PROPOSAL) COUNCIL TAKE BOTH UP TOGETHER (THUS PROVIDING FOR ISRAELI AND U.S. REPRESENTATIVES BOTH TO INTRODUCE RESPECTIVE PROPOSALS BEFORE COUNCIL DISCUSSION COMMENCES.) WE BELIEVE THIS WOULD SET STAGE BEST FOR UNPOLITICIZED REVIEW OF ALL PROPOSALS BEFORE COUNCIL, AND FACILITATE DECISION ON REFERRAL OF SPECIFIC PROPOSALS TO COMMITTEE ON UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE (OR OTHER BODY) FOR TECHNICAL EXAMINATION.

3. U.S. REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD WORK TO OBTAIN FOLLOWING OUTCOME FROM COUNCIL CONSIDERATION MARCH 3: (A) DECISION BY COUNCIL (I) THAT RECENT EVENTS OF UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE DEMONSTRATE NEED FOR GREATER VIGILANCE, (II) THAT SPECIFIC PROPOSALS BEFORE COUNCIL FOR IMPROVING ICAO MEASURES SHOULD BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE (OR OTHER APPROPRIATE ORGAN) FOR PROMPT TECHNICAL REVIEW, AND (III) THAT MEMBER STATES SHOULD BE INVITED TO CONTRIBUTE TO ICAO REVIEW OF DEFICIENCIES IN EXISTING MEASURES AND POSSIBLE NEW MEASURES; (B) REQUEST TO COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO BRING FOREGOING COUNCIL DECISION TO ATTENTION OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ALL MEMBER STATES, INVITING THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS, AND URGING ALL MEMBER STATES TO EXERCISE RENEWED VIGILANCE IN EFFORTS TO COUNTER UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE WITH INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION; AND (C) AUTHORIZATION TO COUNCIL PRESIDENT (OR SECRETARY GENERAL) TO ISSUE PRESS RELEASE TO RENDER PUBLIC ACCOUNT OF ACTIONS DECIDED BY COUNCIL.

4. WE WOULD HOPE THIS OUTCOME MIGHT TAKE FORM OF COUNCIL

RESOLUTION EMBODYING FOREGOING PARTICULARS, WHICH WOULD REFLECT RESOLVE OF ICAO TO RENEW EFFORTS ON THIS COMMON PROBLEM. U.S. REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD EXPLORE THIS IDEA WITH COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES AND SEEK SUPPORT FOR CONCLUDING COUNCIL CONSIDERATION WITH ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION.

5. REPORT FOLLOWS BY SEPTTEL OF DISCUSSION IN DEPARTMENT BETWEEN HEAD OF ISRAELI OBSERVER DELEGATION TO MARCH 3 MEETING (MERON) AND IO ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY BLAKE. KISSINGER

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